

## 1271. Children's Hospital Bond Act. Grant Program. Statute.

COUNTY	PETITION FILED W/COUNTY	SOS REC'D RAW	SOS REC'D RANDOM		RAW COUNT	RANDOM SAMPLE/ FULL CHECK	VALID SIGNS	INVALID	DUP.	VALID OR PROJ. VALID	%
1. ALAMEDA	02/07/08	02/25/08	03/05/08		27,831	835	594	241	3	16,566	59.5%
2. ALPINE	02/15/08	02/19/05	02/19/05	Random Notice:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
3. AMADOR	01/31/08	02/04/08	02/26/08	02/13/08	283	283	232	51	0	232	82.0%
4. BUTTE	01/31/08	02/08/08	02/26/08	Random Due:	5,745	500	365	135	1	4,073	70.9%
5. CALAVERAS	01/31/08	02/15/08	02/15/08	03/27/08	278	278	210	68	4	210	75.5%
6. COLUSA	01/31/08	02/08/08	02/25/08		42	42	29	13	0	29	69.0%
7. CONTRA COSTA	01/31/08	02/08/08	02/15/08		21,456	644	473	171	2	13,605	63.4%
8. DEL NORTE	01/31/08	02/04/08	02/22/08		8	8	4	4	0	4	50.0%
9. EL DORADO	01/30/08	02/04/08	02/28/08		2,741	500	416	84	0	2,281	83.2%
10. FRESNO	01/31/08	02/05/08	03/06/08		27,054	812	568	244	3	15,694	58.0%
11. GLENN	01/31/08	02/04/08	02/20/08		173	173	133	40	2	133	76.9%
12. HUMBOLDT	01/31/08	02/09/08	03/10/08		170	170	121	48	1	121	71.2%
13. IMPERIAL	01/31/08	02/11/08	02/21/08		746	500	345	155	0	515	69.0%
14. INYO	02/01/08	02/19/08	02/19/08		248	248	210	38	2	210	84.7%
15. KERN	01/31/08	02/12/08	03/04/08		15,289	500	345	155	0	10,549	69.0%
16. KINGS	01/31/08	02/05/08	02/20/08		2,295	500	382	118	1	1,737	75.7%
17. LAKE	01/31/08	02/06/08	02/26/08		1,710	500	365	135	2	1,232	72.0%
18. LASSEN	01/31/08	02/05/08	02/14/08		22	22	16	6	0	16	72.7%
19. LOS ANGELES	01/31/08	02/13/08			175,988					0	0.0%
20. MADERA										0	0.0%
21. MARIN	01/31/08	02/06/08	03/06/08		2,176	500	370	94	2	1,581	72.7%
22. MARIPOSA	01/31/08	02/13/08	03/11/08		241	241	180	61	3	180	74.7%
23. MENDOCINO	02/01/08	02/11/08	02/20/08		893	500	378	121	1	674	75.4%
24. MERCED	02/03/08	02/14/08	02/27/08		8,710	500	349	151	2	5,508	63.2%
25. MODOC	01/24/08	03/06/08	03/06/08		12	12	10	2	0	10	83.3%
26. MONO	01/22/08	03/03/08	03/03/08		60	60	47	13	0	47	78.3%
27. MONTEREY	01/31/08	02/04/08	03/13/08		12,768	500	368	132	0	9,397	73.6%
28. NAPA	01/31/08	02/19/08	02/27/08		4,206	500	388	112	3	3,077	73.2%
29. NEVADA	01/31/08	02/01/08	03/04/08		1,949	500	424	76	4	1,608	82.5%
30. ORANGE	01/31/08	02/13/08			38,696					0	0.0%
31. PLACER	01/31/08	02/05/08	02/22/08		2,818	500	431	69	1	2,403	85.3%
32. PLUMAS	01/31/08	02/12/08	02/12/08		37	37	26	11	0	26	70.3%
33. RIVERSIDE	01/31/08	02/12/08	03/12/08		32,513	975	728	247	2	22,119	68.0%
34. SACRAMENTO	01/31/08	02/11/08			31,190					0	0.0%
35. SAN BENITO	01/31/08	02/20/08	03/04/08		3,099	500	369	131	7	2,062	66.5%
36. SAN BERNARDINO	01/31/08	02/13/08	02/25/08		40,166	1,205	896	309	2	27,711	69.0%
37. SAN DIEGO	02/01/08	02/11/08			72,323					0	0.0%
38. SAN FRANCISCO	01/31/08	02/06/08	03/07/08		12,557	500	392	108	1	9,239	73.6%
39. SAN JOAQUIN	01/31/08	02/13/08	02/20/08		14,065	500	349	151	2	8,291	58.9%
40. SAN LUIS OBISPO	01/31/08	02/08/08			12,436					0	0.0%
41. SAN MATEO	01/31/08	02/04/08			4,120					0	0.0%
42. SANTA BARBARA	01/31/08	02/08/08			4,004					0	0.0%
43. SANTA CLARA	01/31/08	02/21/08	02/26/08		22,973	689	493	196	0	16,438	71.6%
44. SANTA CRUZ	01/22/08	02/08/08			6,707					0	0.0%
45. SHASTA	01/31/08	02/11/08	03/10/08		3,113	500	374	126	1	2,296	73.8%
46. SIERRA										0	0.0%
47. SISKIYOU	02/01/08	02/01/08	02/28/08		1,241	500	380	120	4	928	74.8%
48. SOLANO	01/31/08	02/04/08	03/13/08		12,560					0	0.0%
49. SONOMA	01/31/08	02/05/08	02/25/08		6,308	500	393	107	3	4,518	71.6%
50. STANISLAUS	01/31/08	01/31/08	03/14/08		21,125	635	493	142	2	14,254	67.5%
51. SUTTER	01/31/08	02/07/08	02/26/08		644	500	367	133	7	470	73.0%
52. TEHAMA	01/31/08	02/04/08	03/12/08		838	500	349	139	12	571	68.2%
53. TRINITY	01/31/08	02/25/08	02/26/08		83	83	70	13	1	70	84.3%
54. TULARE	02/01/08	02/08/08			7,153					0	0.0%
55. TUOLUMNE	02/01/08	02/01/08	02/28/08	RANGE:	747	500	391	109	3	582	77.9%
56. VENTURA	02/01/08	02/08/08	03/11/08	110% = 477,369	12,087	500	385	115	1	8,747	72.4%
57. YOLO	01/31/08	02/29/08	02/29/08	100% = 433,971	2,336	500	378	122	4	1,697	72.7%
58. YUBA	01/31/08	02/21/08		95% = 412,273	1,358					0	0.0%
TOTAL:					680,391	19,452	14,586	4,816	89	211,710	67.45%

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## **The Signature Verification Process**

After the proponents of a statewide ballot measure collect voter signatures on their petitions, the petitions are turned in to county elections offices. County elections officials then verify signatures against voter registration records.

Each county reports its information to the Secretary of State, who maintains a signature verification spreadsheet to track what is happening with each pending statewide ballot measure in each of the 58 counties. This spreadsheet tracks the signature reports through the entire qualification process. It includes each county's raw count of signatures, the random sample of signatures, and, if necessary, the full check of signatures.

An initiative or referendum qualifies for the ballot after enough counties have filed certified reports with the Secretary of State showing that the initiative or referendum petition has been signed by the number of voters required by law.

For constitutional amendment measures, 694,354 valid signatures are required, which is equal to 8% of the total votes cast for governor in the most recent gubernatorial election. (California Constitution, article II, section 8(b); Elections Code section 9035)

For statutory measures and referenda, 433,971 valid signatures are required, which is equal to 5% of the total votes cast for governor in the most recent gubernatorial election. (California Constitution, article II, section 8(b); Elections Code section 9035)

## **Glossary of Terms**

### **Duplicate**

A signature of a voter who has signed a specific petition more than once is called a "duplicate." Duplicates are included in the total number of invalid signatures. While invalid signatures are simply not counted, the penalty for submitting a duplicate signature is more severe and actually counts against the official total. (California Code of Regulations, title 2, section 20531)

### **Full Check**

If the random sample results project that between 95% and 110% of the petition signatures are valid, then the signature verification process must proceed to a full check of signatures in all counties. County elections officials then have 30 working days (which excludes weekends and holidays) to determine the total number of valid signatures and report the numbers to the Secretary of State. (Elections Code section 9031)

This term is also used in the random sample stage if a county receives less than 500 total petition signatures for a measure and is required to verify all signatures.

### **Invalid Signature**

A county elections official has determined the petition signature is from someone who is not a legally registered voter.

### **Projected Valid Signatures**

In cases where only a random sample of signatures was conducted, the “projected valid” number represents the total projected number of valid signatures based on a random sampling formula established by state law. In cases where a full check of signatures was conducted, the “projected valid” number the total number of valid signatures verified by the county. See also: “random or random sample/full check.”

### **Random Due**

The date by which county elections officials must submit their random sample verification certificates to the Secretary of State.

### **Random Notice**

The date the Secretary of State notified county elections officials to proceed with a random sample verification of petition signatures. Counties have 30 working days (which excludes weekends and holidays) to verify the validity of the signatures filed with their office using a random sampling technique established by state law and report the numbers to the Secretary of State.

### **Random Sample or Random Sample/Full Check**

If the raw count of signatures is equal to or exceeds 100% of the total number of signatures needed to qualify the initiative measure, the Secretary of State directs the county elections officials to begin the random sample signature verification process. County elections officials then have 30 working days (which excludes weekends and holidays) to verify the validity of the signatures filed with their office using a random sampling technique established by state law and report the numbers to the Secretary of State. Each county elections official is required to verify 500 signatures or 3% of the total number of signatures filed in the county, whichever is greater. Counties receiving less than 500 petition signatures are required to do a “full check,” verifying all of the signatures filed. (Elections Code section 9030)

If the results of a random sample project that less than 95% of the required number of petition signatures are valid, then the measure fails to qualify for the ballot. If the random sample results project that 110% or more of the signatures are valid, then the measure qualifies for the ballot. If the random sample results project that between 95% and 110% of the signatures are valid, then the signature verification process proceeds to a full check of signatures in all counties.

**Raw Count**

Within eight working days (which excludes weekends and holidays) after the petition is filed, county elections officials are required to tally the total number of signatures on the petition sections submitted in their county and report the total to the Secretary of State. If the total, or “raw count,” of signatures on petitions submitted throughout the state is below 100% of the signatures required by law, the Secretary of State notifies the county elections officials that the measure has failed to qualify for the ballot and no further action is taken on that measure. (Elections Code section 9030)

**Valid Signature**

A county elections official has determined the petition signature is from a legally registered voter.

**Disclaimer**

This is a working document. The number of valid petition signatures can change daily and this document is updated when there are changes.

County elections officials are responsible for verifying petition signatures and reporting their numbers to the Secretary of State. The Secretary of State does not have the legal authority to review petition signatures for validity.